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Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:
(ED)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL SYSTEM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 10-99f of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):

3 For the fiscal year ending June 30, [2011] 2017, and each fiscal year
4 thereafter, the budget for the technical high school system shall be a
5 separate budgeted agency from the Department of Education and the
6 superintendent of the technical high school system shall be considered
7 the administrative head for purposes of sections 4-77 and 10-99g, as
8 amended by this act.

9 Sec. 2. Section 10-99g of the general statutes is repealed and the
10 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):

11 (a) (1) Each technical high school shall prepare a proposed operating
12 budget for the next succeeding school year beginning July first and
13 submit such proposed operating budget to the superintendent of the
14 technical high school system. Such proposed operating budget shall

15 include a statement of the staffing needs for such technical high school.
16 The superintendent shall collect, review and use the proposed
17 operating budget for each technical high school to guide the
18 preparation of a proposed operating budget for the technical high
19 school system.

20 (2) The superintendent of the technical high school system shall
21 submit a proposed operating budget for the technical high school
22 system to the technical high school system board. Such proposed
23 operating budget shall include a statement of the staffing needs for the
24 technical high school system. The board shall review, amend and
25 approve such proposed operating budget and submit the approved
26 budget to [the State Board of Education and] the Secretary of the Office
27 of Policy and Management in accordance with the provisions of
28 section 4-77. The superintendent shall submit a copy of (A) the
29 proposed operating budgets for each technical high school, including
30 the statement of the staffing needs for each technical high school, (B)
31 the proposed operating budget for the technical high school system,
32 including the statement of the staffing needs for the technical high
33 school system, and (C) the approved operating budget for the technical
34 high school system to the Office of Policy and Management and the
35 joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance
36 of matters relating to education and appropriations and the budgets of
37 state agencies, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a. The
38 superintendent shall communicate directly with the Secretary of the
39 Office of Policy and Management regarding the creation or filling of
40 staff positions included in the approved operating budget for the
41 technical high school system.

42 (b) The superintendent of the technical high school system shall
43 semiannually submit the operating budget and expenses for each
44 individual technical high school, in accordance with section 11-4a, to
45 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the director of
46 the legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis and to the joint standing
47 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters

48 relating to education.

49 (c) The superintendent of the technical high school system shall
50 make available and update on the technical high school system web
51 site and the web site of each technical high school the operating budget
52 for the current school year of each individual technical high school.

53 Sec. 3. Subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 10-95h of the
54 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
55 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):

56 (2) The superintendent of the technical high school system shall
57 submit the following to the joint standing committees of the General
58 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education, higher
59 education and employment advancement and labor: (A) Information
60 ensuring that the curriculum of the technical high school system is
61 incorporating those workforce skills that will be needed for the next
62 thirty years, as identified by the Labor Commissioner in subdivision
63 (1) of this subsection, into the technical high schools; (B) information
64 regarding the employment status of students who graduate from or
65 complete an approved program of study at the technical high school
66 system, including, but not limited to: (i) Demographics such as age and
67 gender, (ii) course and program enrollment and completion, (iii)
68 employment status, and (iv) wages prior to enrolling and after
69 graduating; (C) an assessment of the adequacy of the resources
70 available to the technical high school system as the system develops
71 and refines programs to meet existing and emerging workforce needs;
72 [and] (D) recommendations to the [State Board of Education] technical
73 high school system board to carry out the provisions of subparagraphs
74 (A) to (C), inclusive, of this subdivision; and (E) information regarding
75 staffing at each technical high school for the current academic year.
76 The superintendent of the technical high school system shall
77 collaborate with the Labor Commissioner to obtain information as
78 needed to carry out the provisions of this subsection.

79 Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2016*) (a) For the fiscal year ending
80 June 30, 2017, and each fiscal year thereafter, the superintendent of the
81 technical high school system shall establish and administer a
82 manufacturing training for incumbent workers pilot program. Such
83 pilot program shall provide training in manufacturing to incumbent
84 workers at one of the technical high schools after regular school hours.
85 For purposes of this section, "incumbent workers" means individuals
86 who are employed in this state, but who are in need of additional
87 skills, training or education in order to upgrade employment.

88 (b) Not later than June 30, 2018, and annually thereafter, the
89 superintendent shall submit a report, in accordance with the
90 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing
91 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
92 relating to education and labor on the operation of the pilot program
93 established pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	10-99f
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	10-99g
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	10-95h(b)(2)
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To designate the superintendent of the technical high school system as an administrative head for purposes of carrying out the responsibilities associated with the technical high school system budget and to establish a manufacturing training for incumbent workers pilot program.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]